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SUBJ: GROC THIRD SPECIAL "BUY MORE IN AMERICA" MISSION

1. IN RESPONSE TO AGATT INITIATIVE MR H.K. SHAO, DIRECTOR
GENERAL, BOARD OF FOREIGN TRADE INDICATED AS FOLLOWS:

A. THIRD MISSION WILL ARRIVE US "SOON" AFTER US
NOVEMBER ELECTIONS. TRAVEL DATES AND STATES TO BE
VISITED WILL BE DISCUSSED AND PROBABLY FINALIZED DURING
NEXT WEDNESDAY SEP 13 MEETING.

B. MISSION PLANS TO BUY FOLLOWING US COMMODITIES:
(WITH 10 PERCENT TOLERANCE) WHEAT 400,000 TONS,
BARLEY 150,000 TONS, SOYBEANS 500,000 TONS, CORN
900,000, TOBACCO 5,000 TONS.

C. FOR FOREIGN POLICY AND BALANCE OF TRADE CONSIDERATIONS
ROC WILL ALSO BUY 100,000 TONS WHEAT FROM AUSTRALIA AND
100,000 TONS CORN FROM CANADA FOR 1978/79 DELIVERIES.
NO CORN PURCHASE FROM THAILAND.

D. THERE HAVE BEEN NO SERIOUS DISCUSSIONS AS YET FOR
FURTHER PURCHASE MISSIONS IN 1979 TO US. IF ASKED,
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SHAO WILL, HOWEVER, RECOMMEND THAT ROC SEND ONLY ONE
LARGE MISSION IN MAY/JUNE 1979 TO BUY BULK OF ROC'S
REQUIREMENTS.

E. GROC WOULD WELCOME AND APPRECIATE USDA HELP IN
ARRANGING SEMINARS WITH US FARM GROUPS AND COOPERATIVES
DURING THIRD MISSION'S VISIT IN ACCORDANCE WITH

SUGGESTION MADE BY UNDER SECRETARY SMITH AND DEPUTY ASST
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